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For: FLAME-RETARDANT POLYACETAL RESIN COMPOSITION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

5. (Amended) A resin composition according to claim 1, wherein the component (C) is a novolak phenol resin having a weight-average molecular weight of 500 to 10,000.

6. (Amended) A resin composition according to claim 1, wherein the component (C) is a phenol resin modified with paraxylylene or alkylbenzene.

7. (Amended) A resin composition according to claim 1, wherein the component (C) is a phenol resin containing 5% by